

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP AF</b>
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For: BIOCATALYST FOR PRODUCTION	)	
OF D-LACTIC ACID	)	

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY AFTER FINAL REJECTION**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In complete response to the final Office Action mailed April 5, 2010,  
reconsideration of the instant application in view of the following amendments and  
remarks is respectfully requested: